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Dear Mr. Robinson,

After your this morning's story you might want to examine some of the CIA's records of its spying on Dr. King that I gave George Lardner some time ago after I obtained them in C.A. 77-1997.

They are not of the nature described in the quote from Colby. They are much closer to the FBI's "no black messiah" COINTELPROing.

What I gave George is of this nature. It involved a clear CIA recognition that its political operations were illegal and its continuation of the use of a domestic informant after he refused to be turned over to the FBI. (Below his self-estimate.)

God knows that there is that I did not get but I received as much on King alone as you report for all persons.

The claims for admitted withholding may range from the ludicrous and spurious to false swearing, accepted by the court.

Some of what I may not have given George seems to be the kind of thing you'd find in a man's pockets - notes of people he was to call, bills for clothing purchases, calling cards with notes on them, etc.

One such note identified a neighbor of Herblock. I wrote him but never got an answer. Mourning Herblock.

This case of mine is now before the appeals court. At the district level it was before John Lewis Smith. He followed his usual practises, of granting summary judgement with material facts in dispute and of accepting anything, no matter how incredible, provided by the executive agencies.

The CIA's informant knew what President Johnson said and believed when Dr. King was killed and as I recall it also undertook to interfere with commemorative efforts.

He appears to have been one of some prominence and of an Angletonian political view.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg